

REMARKS

Claims 3, 9, 14 and 17 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-13, 15 and 16 are canceled; claims 3, 9, and 14 are amended; and claim 17 is added. No new matter is added by this Amendment. Support for the amendments to claims 3, 9 and 14 may be found at, for example, original claims 5, 6, 10, 11 and 16; as well as at, for example, Figs. 2 and 9, and page 14, line 26 to page 26, line 16 of the specification. Support for claim 17 is found at, for example, page 34, lines 9-24 of the specification.

I. Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,628,822 (Nakabayashi). This rejection is respectfully traversed with respect to claims 3, 9 and 14.

Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-13, 15 and 16 are canceled. Thus, with respect to claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-13, 15 and 16, this rejection is moot.

Nakabayashi teaches transmission means which transmit image information. However, Nakabayashi fails to disclose transmission means which transmits reference visual environment information, or correction means which corrects input/output characteristic data based on the received reference visual environment information, as recited in claims 3 and 14. Nakabayashi also fails to disclose transmitting the reference visual environment information, or correcting input/output characteristic data, based on the received reference visual environment information, as recited in claim 9.

Furthermore, Nakabayashi fails to disclose the projection means which projects an image and the visual environment grasp means which measures at least one of color value of the image projected onto the screen, as recited in claim 3. Nakabayashi also fails to disclose projecting an image onto a screen and measuring one of XYZ value and RGB value of the image projected onto the screen, as recited in claim 9. Nakabayashi also fails to disclose the projection means which projects an image and the visual environment grasp means which

measures one of XYZ value and RGB value of the image projected onto the screen, as recited in claim 14.

Furthermore, Nakabayashi fails to disclose transmitting reference visual environment information, as recited in claims 3, 9 and 14.

Because Nakabayashi employs a CRT system, and is not directed to projecting an image, as recited in claims 3, 9 and 14, Nakabayashi cannot anticipate these claims.

The benefits of the claimed features include the technique of reproducing images which coincide with an image displayed at a reference location, at different locations in the calibration step. This benefit is not taught by Nakabayashi.

For the foregoing reasons, Nakabayashi fails to anticipate or render obvious the subject matter of claims 3, 9 and 14, as well as dependent claim 17.

Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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